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Three Cheers for the Frontier.

Among the many jolly boys in blue who are in our city are a number of gentlemen from Thomas county, away out near the northwest corner of the state, and in conversation with them a Journal representative become possessed of the following facts regarding the wonderful growth of that county:

The county-at-large on the first day of January last contained 160 inhabitants, on May 5 the first lot was sold in Colby, the leading town in the county, and the present business of the place consists of two dry goods stores, two hardware establishments, two drug stores, three grocery stores, three hotels, one restaurant, two blacksmith shops, one wagon shop, two billiard halls, one barber shop, three livery stables, one butcher shop, a bank, and a small mill. There are three physicians and five lawyers, a host of land agents, and a newspaper, the THOMAS CAT. Altogether there are sixty-five houses in the place, and a total of at least 300 inhabitants. Though our informant said he would not be afraid to guess it at 400. The county by the census just completed, contains 1,940 souls, and 8,990 acres of ground have been broke out this year.—Topeka Journal.

Men who come west with industrious habits and no bad ones, seldom fail to prosper in their undertakings. An exchange tells of a man who started in Nebraska twenty years ago with nothing but a wife and a stand of bees. Under the combined force of the two—wife and bees—he was kept stirring about until he accomplished an extraordinary end—he committed suicide. This left his widow no affluence, for she sold the one stand of bees her husband had monkeyed with for nearly a year, and went into the stock business by marrying a cowboy—who had no cattle but a large quantity of nerve. In about six months there was an increase—not in the herd, but in the cow-boy's family. As soon as he became accustomed to the novelty of his situation, he quit drink and began to speculate. He traded the woman and the "kid" to a cattle king for a broncho, which one day landed him at the foot of the golden stairs, and the woman and the kid in the meantime waxed fat and merry, for were they not on "full feed" and all of this would not have been had he of the "wife and bees" and nothing else," remained in the east.—Gaylord Herald.

Bill Nye says: Don't attempt to cheat an editor out of a year's subscription to his paper, or any other sum. Cheat the minister, cheat the doctor, cheat anybody and everybody, but if you have any regard for future consequences, don't fool with the editor. You will be put up for office sometime, or want some public favor for yourself or some of your friends, and when your luck is a thing of beauty and joy forever, the editor will open up on you and knock your air castles into a cocked hat at the first fire. He'll subdue you, and then you'll cuss your stupidity for a driving idiot, go and hire some man to knock you down and kick you for falling.

The Pike's Peak railway, on the Rocky mountains of Colorado, which is expected to be in operation this year, will be one of the most notable pieces of track in the world. It will mount 2,000 feet higher than the Lima & Oroya railway in Peru. It is now in operation to a point over 12,000 feet above sea level. The entire thirty miles of its length will be a succession of complicated curves and grades, with no piece of straight track longer than 300 feet.

The Provincial Bank of Buenos Ayres has a capital of \$33,000,000, and deposits amounting to \$67,000,000. These figures are not equalled by any United States bank.

Russell Record: Russell county has in its population two boys whom, we venture to say, cannot be beaten in avoirdupois in the state of Kansas. One, the son of J. R. McNeal, eight years of age, weighs 110 pounds, the other, the son of A. J. Kennicott, sixteen years old, kicks the beam at 240 pounds.

Mrs. A. J. Senter and Mrs. Frank Pingree left yesterday for their new home in Colby, Thomas county, Kansas, and Mr. Senter will go to-day or to-morrow. Mr. Pingree will go through with their household goods, etc., which were shipped last night.—Blue Valley Blade.

Phelix T. Gandy has been appointed postmaster at Gandy, Sherman county, his commission being received by Mr. Brenaman last Monday. The office will be supplied from Wano by special service until the contract is let next July.—Wano Rustler.

The Eastern papers say that there will not be much roller skating next winter. The rinks are generally being devoted to other purposes or torn down.

The Oberlin Herald is one of our neatest and best exchanges. Fred Henshaw is also one of the best fellows that shoves the quill, in the west.

A correspondent of the Oberlin Herald signing himself "Grover Cleveland" writes: "The widow took a hand in helping laying on the claim."

The house that Gen. Logan has purchased in Washington is fifty or sixty years old, and was used during the war as a hospital.

The number of persons killed while walking on railroad tracks make up a death roll of about 200 for every twelve months.

Mrs. A. J. Allen, of Colby, is visiting in town. She attended the fair Thursday and Friday.—Oberlin Herald.

Halstead Independent: The cattle ranches in the West occupy 1,365,000 square miles of land.

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